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I. **Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Communication mailed February 23, 2005.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

There are no amendments to the claims which are listed beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.